



CAMPAIGN OPENS AT CORVALLIS

WITHYCOMBE OUTLINES HIS POLICY IF ELECTED

Republican Candidate For Governor Speaks to Enthusiastic Audience--Will Work for Interests of Whole State.

CALLS ON ALL REPUBLICANS FOR SUPPORT

DESIRES TO CONDUCT DIGNIFIED CAMPAIGN FREE FROM PERSONAL ABUSE--WOULD ABOLISH STATE LAND AGENT'S OFFICE--REMEDY UNFAIR TAXATION OF PROPERTY--FAVORS GOOD ROADS FOR STATE.

CORVALLIS, Ore., May 8 (Special).—The opening rally of the state Republican campaign was held tonight in this city. There was an immense crowd in attendance and great enthusiasm was shown. Speeches were made by a number of the state Republican candidates, chief among which was the initial address of the campaign delivered by James Withycombe, Republican candidate for governor. His speech was received with the utmost attention, and was as follows:

"I cannot say that the nomination for governor has come to me unsought. I have been obliged to ask for the nomination at the hands of my fellow citizens in all parts of the state and it has come to me after a vigorous and aggressive campaign waged by other aspirants. Had any one of the other candidates been successful in the recent primaries he would have been entitled to and would have received my cordial support and I am glad to be able to say that I have assurances of support from all of the gentlemen who were pitted against me in the recent primary campaign. My thanks are due to ex-Governor T. T. Geer, C. A. Johns, Harvey K. Brown and C. A. Schibred for their loyalty to me and to the Republican party in the assurances which they have given me, and especially do I thank them for the manly and dignified manner in which their campaigns were conducted prior to the primaries.

Thankful For Support.

"I want to take this opportunity to heartily thank the friends who so loyally supported me and to whose support I am indebted for my nomination. No man ever had more loyal or generous support at the hands of his friends, and no successful candidate ever appreciated the support more than I do. My nomination is the more gratifying to me because it comes not from ring or caucus, but direct from the people. I believe in popular government and in the right of the people to nominate their own public officials. The direct primary law has come to stay, and it ought to stay. It imposes burdens upon the candidates greater than those of the convention system, but it also lodges political power with the voters, where it rightfully belongs. I believe

the law will be increasingly popular with the people, and, while some changes in detail may prove to be desirable in the light of experience, the plan of nominating public officers by direct vote of the people must not be disturbed.

Would be Worthy of Trust.

"It is my paramount desire to prove worthy as a candidate of the trust imposed in me and, if elected, to justify the confidence of the people who have supported me. For thirty-five years Oregon has been my home. It is with pardonable pride I refer to the fact that I came to this state when a boy. My manhood has been spent with the people of Oregon. I believe that I know them and appreciate their needs. I yield to no man in loyalty to the State of Oregon and in my faith in its future. "It is my desire that the campaign which I am to conduct with my democratic opponent shall be a dignified campaign, free from personal abuse. I have no disposition to indulge in epithets. I do claim that the record of the Republican party in the past is the pledge of its usefulness in the present. I believe that its principles make for the welfare of the people and that at this time the endorsement of these principles is more important than any question of preference between men. It is proper, however, that I should say that no man has higher ideals than I of what a public official should be.

Duties of Public Official.

"He should be fearless in the performance of his duties. He should be amenable to reason, but when sure he is right he should not be afraid of criticism. He should, moreover, be a man of clean life, an example to others, one to whom the people may look with pride, both in his capacity as a private citizen and in his record as a public official. He should take the people into his confidence. The government is the government of the people. They are entitled to know what their public officials are doing and it should be the aid of the executive branch of the government to honestly and impartially enforce the laws which the people have made.

"This is a critical time for the Republican party of Oregon. Although the state is Republican by a vote of

more than two to one, many of our important offices are filled by members of the opposing party. If the Republican organization is to be maintained in Oregon and if Republican policies are to be supported, Republicans must vote the Republican ticket.

Party Has Great Mission.

"I believe the Republican party has a great mission yet to perform for the country in general and for the State of Oregon in particular. If elected, it shall be my aim to heal the wounds inflicted by ten years of factional strife and to do all in my power to strengthen the party organization, with a view to its increased efficiency in the public service.

"We are entering upon an era of tremendous development. The world has awakened to a knowledge of the value of our forests and mines. Men in distant states have learned of the fertility of our soil, the productiveness of our farms and our orchards. Capital is seeking investment within the state for the development of our varied resources and the improvement of our means of communication. Our public officers should be full of the spirit of a greater Oregon. The improvement of our rivers and harbors, the building up of new industries, the construction of new lines of railway, all will make for the prosperity and the comfort of the people, and all of these new enterprises should be encouraged by the people of the state and its officials.

To Keep Campaign Pledges.

"In my campaign for the nomination I promised the people I would advocate and support the following measures: Taxation of franchises and gross earnings tax on telephone, telephone, ex-

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FEAR AN OUTBREAK NONE BUT NEEDY FED

St. Petersburg Police on Watch for Revolutionists.

ALL RAILWAYS ARE WATCHED

Capitol is Filled With Police, Terrorists and Revolutionists and Trouble May Follow at Any Time.

ST. PETERSBURG, May 8.—Although there are few surface indications of the fact that an earnest duel is in progress between the police and terrorists and revolutionists who are thronging the capitol, alert for any opportunity to strike the emperor or other marked men gathered here for the opening of the national parliament, precautionary measures on an extensive scale have been taken. The police have been reinforced by the keenest men from the interior cities. Railways are being watched diligently, but a search of the baggage of three members of the lower branch of parliament was the only public incident in the campaign, which today resulted in the apprehension of several terrorists. In order to safeguard the emperor in his passage up the river, the time of his arrival and departure is being kept a dead secret. The Nicholas palace will be through draws through which the imperial yacht must pass and will be closed at daylight Thursday until after the departure of the emperor. The public will not be even admitted to a long distance view of the yacht.

RE-ELECTED MAYOR.

KANSAS CITY, May 8.—William W. Rose, Democrat, who resigned the mayorship of Kansas City, pending ouster proceedings against him for non-enforcement of prohibition and anti-gambling laws and who later was ousted by the supreme court, was re-elected mayor by 1600 plurality at a special election today.

VESUVIUS AGAIN SHOWING ACTIVITY

NAPLES, May 8.—Vesuvius is again showing activity. Today a dense column of smoke is rising from the crater and spreading like an umbrella, accompanied by loud detonations and electrical discharges. The main crater is discharging sand and cinders.

MANY ARE DESTITUTE.

OAKLAND, May 8.—Major J. Berwin, Ninth Cavalry, U. S. A. will take charge of the distribution of relief supplies in this city today. Estimates indicate that there are 40,000 persons in this city who are dependent upon relief supplies for necessary food. The general supply is limited under the strict supervision of the army it is said enough can be procured to meet immediate demands.

POLICE DISPERSE MEETING.

ST. PETERSBURG, May 8.—Troops and the police dispersed another meeting of the Economical society tonight. Several members of the national assembly who protested, narrowly escaped being bayoneted.

MORE MONEY RECOMMENDED.

WASHINGTON, May 8.—The President today transmitted to Congress a letter from Secretary Taft recommending the appropriation of another \$500,000 to meet the conditions at San Francisco.

Bread Line Shortens Daily By Severe Regulations.

MUST PROVE DESTITUTION

Grog Shops Spring up Just Across County Line in San Mateo County and Many Men Get Drunk.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 8.—As a result of General Greeley's efforts to eliminate undeserving a reduction in the bread line is already observable. Each day the restriction is growing severer, and now when an able-bodied man makes his appearance, he is frequently offered a job. If he refuses he gets no relief. Women too are compelled to prove destitution, and bread tickets are given for only a few days at a time, necessitating subsequent demonstrations of inability to care for themselves. Already there is a big increase in the output of supplies, and officials believe by June 1 their services will be ended.

Governor Pardee, in response to fears expressed by a number of saving banks throughout the state that the sudden expiration of the holiday, would cause a panic through inability to take proper proceedings to prevent the outlawing of mortgages which shall become due during the present holiday period, today announced he would give a few days' notice before the holidays ended.

Although the sale of liquor is still prohibited here, a number of grog shops have sprung up just across the line in San Mateo county. Many men go thence and return here decidedly the worse for liquor. Consequently Chief of Police Dinan has issued an order that all such would be turned back at the county line hereafter and detailed a force of fifty men to see that his orders were executed.

SHONTS CLAIMS DIRT IS FLYING ON THE CANAL

Chairman of Isthmian Canal Commission Reports that Work is Proceeding Satisfactorily and Everything is Lovely as Could Be.

HEALTH OF THE DIGGERS IS EXTREMELY GOOD

WORK OF PREPARING CULEBRA CUT FOR APPROACHING RAINY SEASON IS BEING CARRIED FORWARD—240,000 CUBIC YARDS OF DIRT MOVED LAST MONTH, AND AMOUNT WILL SOON BE INCREASED.

WASHINGTON, May 8.—In a special report to the Secretary of War, Chairman Shonts of the Isthmian Canal commission says the health of the isthmus is extremely good. Notwithstanding the large force employed many beds in the hospital are vacant, and there has not been one case of yellow fever since November. Shonts states building quarters for the working force are being carried on with great vigor. Regarding food, he says wholesome meats are sold by the commission at a profit of ten cents, but the laborers do not patronize them liberally doubtless preferring to indulge in eatables less suited to their physical needs. Future contracts, he says will provide for withholding a certain amount of wages to provide each man with three wholesome meals

each day. Shonts states the work of putting Culebra cut in shape for the approaching wet season has been steadily carried forward. During the past month 240,000 cubic yards of material were removed and by July or August he expects to have this increased to a million yards per month. The morale of the force continues to improve, but until a better class of labor can be procured it is not expected any high degree of labor efficiency can be produced. He states he met R. P. Schwerin of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company, and Julius Kruttschnitt, transportation director of the Harriman lines on the isthmus by appointment and the conference resulted in the settlement of points in the controversy between the Pacific Mail and the Canal Commission.

SENATE ADJOURNS.

WASHINGTON, May 8.—Aside from a few minutes devoted to reading the Allison amendments to the railroad rate bill, and half an hour given to routine business, the Senate devoted its entire session to the ineffectual consideration of the Elkins' amendment, prohibiting common carriers from engaging in mining coal or in the production of other commodities in competition with shippers, and adjourned at 5 p. m. in great confusion as to the exact subject before it. The disorder was due to the fact that a number of substitutes for the amendments to the original amendment were introduced.

SEIZE INSURANCE BOOKS.

NEW YORK, May 8.—Detectives from the district attorney's office today visited the supply department of the Mutual Life and took possession of its books, cancelled checks and one document. It is believed Jerome is seeking data for a special grand jury.

AUTO STRIKES STREET CAR.

CLEVELAND, May 8.—An automobile tonight, while traveling at high speed, crashed into the side of a street car, killing one of the occupants of the automobile, fatally injuring two others, and seriously injuring three. No one on the street car was hurt.

LUMBER WILL BE DIVERTED.

ST. LOUIS, May 8.—According to a report by Secretary Smith today at a session of the convention of the National Lumber Manufacturers, the destruction of San Francisco will cause a shake up in the lumber trade. He says the recent disaster has brought abnormal conditions on the coast, which will turn large quantities of lumber from the customary course, and a re-adjustment will have to be made for the entire territory west of the Mississippi river.

NEED ENORMOUS SUPPLIES

SAN FRANCISCO, May 8.—The total amount of goods sent to this city by railroad up to and including May 1 amounts to 2200 car loads, according to Dr. Edward Devine, head of the Red Cross work.

"This represents a large amount of supplies," he said yesterday, "but nothing like the amount we will have to have."

RECORD RUN.

NEW YORK, May 8.—The Harriman special arrived here tonight at 10 o'clock having made the journey from San Francisco in seventy-one hours and twenty-seven minutes, which is record time.

LABOR UNIONISTS TO FORM HUGE INSURANCE COMPANY

CINCINNATI, May 8.—That a movement is under way for the organization of a life insurance company for the benefit of union labor developed at a meeting of the Commercial Telegraphers' Union of America today. It was announced that union men are fast los-

ing confidence in the old companies, and all would soon be asked to withdraw and amalgamate the labor insurance monies into one huge fund. The subject has already been considered and acted favorably upon by a number of other labor organizations.

SNAKE RIVER RAILROAD HAS BEEN COMMENCED

BAKER CITY, May 8.—According to the Democrat it is reported on good authority that actual construction work is in progress on the Snake River railroad between Huntington and Homestead, where the Iron Dyke Mine is located, and that the work is being done

by the Oregon Short Line which has instructed its engineers to extend the line to Lewiston. While the Iron Dyke Company are paying for the first section of the road, it is understood it will eventually become a part of the Harriman system.